State Water Resources Control Board



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

REVISION OF CALIFORNIA'S CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 303(d) LIST OF WATER QUALITY LIMITED SEGMENTS

Thursday and Friday, May 23-24, 2002 - 9:00 a.m.

State Water Resources Control Board Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor Joe Serna, Jr. Cal/EPA Headquarters Building 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA

and

Thursday, May 30, 2002 - 9:00 a.m.

Double Tree Hotel Ontario Airport 222 North Vineyard Avenue, Ontario, CA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that public hearings will be held by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) as noted above to seek comments on proposed revisions of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA) section 303(d) list [303(d) list] of water quality limited segments. The SWRCB will not make any decision regarding the 303(d) list at the hearings. It is anticipated that the 303(d) list will be considered for adoption by the SWRCB at its September 2002 Board meeting.

Each day of the hearing will be focus on the revisions to the 303(d) list proposed by the Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCBs), as follows:

May 23—North Coast, San Francisco Bay, and Central Coast RWQCBs

May 24—Central Valley and Lahontan RWQCBs

May 30—Los Angeles, Colorado River Basin, Santa Ana, and San Diego RWQCBs

While each hearing date is focused on specific RWQCB proposals, comments on any aspect of the proposed revised statewide 303(d) list will be accepted on any of the three hearing days.

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BACKGROUND

Section 303(d) of the CWA requires states to identify waters that do not meet applicable water quality standards with technology-based controls alone. Applicable standards include the designated beneficial uses, the adopted water quality objectives, and the State's antidegradation policy. The 303(d) list must include the water quality limited segments, associated pollutants, and a priority ranking of the waters for purposes of developing Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) in the next two years. A TMDL is the maximum load of a pollutant that can be discharged from point and nonpoint sources without exceeding water quality standards. States are required to submit the 303(d) list and TMDL priorities to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for approval. The 2002 303(d) list is due to USEPA by October 1, 2002.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2002 SECTION 303(d) LIST

In early 2001, the SWRCB and RWQCBs solicited surface water quality data and information from other State and federal agencies and from other interested parties for the purpose of identifying water quality limited segments. Based upon an assessment by each RWQCB of the information submitted in response to the solicitation, staff from each RWQCB prepared recommendations for its respective 303(d) list. These recommendations were made available for public comment and were provided to the RWQCBs. All nine RWQCBs transmitted their recommendations to the SWRCB. SWRCB staff reviewed the RWQCB 303(d) list recommendations, the assessments performed by RWQCB staff, and prepared a draft Staff Report that contains recommendations to the SWRCB on additions, deletions and changes to the 1998 303(d) list. The Staff Report also recommends creation of a Watch List and a Completed TMDLs List. Detailed descriptions of these lists are provided in the draft Staff Report.

AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT STAFF REPORT ON REVISION OF THE 303(d) LIST

The draft Staff Report supporting the revision of the 303(d) list is posted on the SWRCB web site at http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/303dupdate.html. You may also receive a copy of the draft Staff Report on CD-R by writing, calling, or electronic mail:

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SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

In order to be considered at the hearings, the Board encourages that all comments on the proposed 303(d) list be submitted by mail or fax, postmarked no later than 5:00 p.m., May 16, 2002. However, written materials will be accepted at the hearings. Time limitations on presentations may be imposed. The Board requests that oral testimony be summarized. Persons with similar views are encouraged to make joint presentations. All comments received will be considered by the SWRCB before considering adoption of the 303(d) List.

Written comments should be submitted to:

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COURT REPORTER

A court reporter will record all the oral comments made during the public hearing. Persons who desire a copy of the hearing transcript must make their own arrangements with the court reporter.

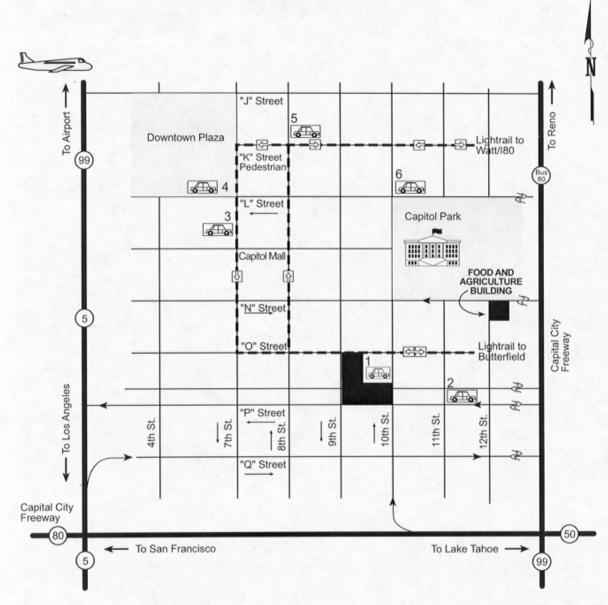
PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY

The enclosed maps show the locations of the hearings. There is a parking garage across the street from the building with entrances on 10th and 11th Streets between "I" and "J" Streets, and there are metered parking spaces in the vicinity of the building. Both facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Adrian Perez, at (916) 341-5880, at least five working days prior to the public hearing date. Persons with hearing or speech impairments can contact us by using the California Relay Service TDD. TDD (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf) is reachable only from phones equipped with a TDD Device. HEARING IMPAIRED RELAY SERVICE: TDD to voice 1-800-735-2929, Voice to TDD 1-800-735-2922.

Maureen Marché Clerk to the Board

Date: April 2, 2002

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